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SUBJECT: CHRYSLER PROPOSAL FOR BELGIAN MANUFACTURE OF M60  
TANKS

1. JEAN BOLAND, IN CHARGE OF ECONOMIC COMPENSATION IN THE BELGIAN MINISTRY OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS, HAS WRITTEN THE EMBASSY WITH REGARD TO A PROPOSAL BY THE CHRYSLER CORPORATION TO THE BELGIAN EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON FOR THE BELGIAN MANUFACTURE OF THE TURRETS AND HULLS FOR OVER 9,000 M60 TANKS.

2. BOLAND STATES THAT WHILE NO BELGIAN COMPANY IS ABLE TO UNDERTAKE THIS CONTRACT AS A PRIME CONTRACTOR, THE FIRMS COCKERILL AND HENRICOT ARE VERY INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING IN THE CONTRACT ON A SUBCONTRACT BASIS.

3. BOLAND INQUIRED WHETHER CHRYSLER WILL SELECT ONE EUROPEAN PRIME CONTRACTOR OR WHETHER IT WILL DO ITS OWN SUBCONTRACTING. IN A SUBSEQUENT CONVERSATION, MR. BOLAND ALSO ASKED WHETHER CHRYSLER IS CONSIDERING DOING ASSEMBLY WORK OVERSEAS, SINCE THE BELGIAN FIRM BRUGES ET NIVELLES HAS THE CAPACITY TO PERFORM SUCH WORK.

4. THE EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE GUIDANCE ON THE CHRYSLER PROPOSAL. FIRESTONE

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